

# Nomada Bakery repeats as top cake shop

STAFF REPORT

**HUNTINGTON** Nomada Bakery has been named the No. 1 Best Cake Shop in the United States by the USA TODAY Best Readers' Choice Awards, marking the second consecutive year that the Huntington bakery has earned the publication's top national ranking, according to a press release Wednesday.

The repeat victory comes just seven years after Nomada opened in downtown Huntington.

The annual USA TODAY Best Awards recognize outstanding destinations and businesses across the country, stated the release.

Nomada was selected by a panel of industry experts as one of only 20 cake shops nationwide to compete for this

year's award, according to the release. The final rankings were determined through worldwide public voting, with supporters from Huntington, the Tri-State and across the country and world helping secure the bakery's second straight top finish.

Since opening in 2019, Nomada has grown from a local bakery into a nationally recognized destination. Located in Huntington's historic Heritage Station alongside the Huntington Area Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Red Caboose gift shop, the bakery welcomes both local regulars and visitors exploring the city, the release stated.

For Nomada's owners, the repeat victory carries special significance.

"Winning this award once

was incredible," said Ariel Barcenas, co-owner and chief creative officer. "Winning it a second year in a row means something different. Last year's award put us on the map. This year's award tells us it wasn't a fluke. It reflects the work our team puts in every single day. We are incredibly proud of our staff and deeply grateful to every person who voted for us. Most people first discover us through our cakes, but we're equally proud of the handmade croissants, pastries and savory offerings our team produces every day."

"What makes this award special is where it happened," said Dr. Shawn Schulenberg, co-owner. "We built Nomada in Huntington because we believe in Huntington. Ariel and I both come from other parts of



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**Baby cakes are personal-sized versions of regular cakes Nomada sells.**

the world, and this is our chosen home. Every day, we watch our community choose local, support local, and celebrate local. This award reflects not only the work happening inside our bakery, but the people who have embraced us from the beginning. For a second consecutive year, Huntington has helped a small independent

business compete with — and outperform — some of the biggest names in the country. We couldn't be prouder to represent our city."

Nomada's cakes have earned a devoted following for both their flavor and craftsmanship, according to the release. Customer favorites include rich chocolate cake with chocolate buttercream, lemon-blueberry, mixed berry, and the alfacaque. Alongside its nationally recognized cakes, the bakery has also developed a growing reputation for its handmade croissants, pastries, baby cakes, empanadas, sandwiches, soups and locally roasted coffee.

Nomada Bakery is at 210 11th Street, Suite 15, in Heritage Station in downtown Huntington and is open daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## REGIONAL POETRY

### I Want

I don't want a city on Mars.  
But, I wish we had more electric cars,  
I wish we all would use less oil  
In every nation and on all foreign soil.  
I don't want AI in every app  
I don't want to see anyone sing or rap,  
And I don't want more data centers here  
Especially near the pier.  
I don't want data centers in outer space  
And I want to have a lower tax base,  
I want clean air and also clean water  
I don't want to see the suffering of a seal or an otter.  
My number one prayer  
Is that I and all others have affordable health-care,  
And I want everyone to leave here alive  
And I also want bees to survive.

Randy L. McClave

### Taste Your Words

Be sure to taste your words before you spit them  
My grandmother used to say with a whim,  
My old Scottish grandmother always had it all right  
Slow down, then taste the first bite.  
In a world where everyone's shouting online  
As they toss words of hatred as they dine,  
They are throwing words out like they are stones  
And if they tasted then, it be not scones.  
Slow down, taste those very words first  
Now be ready to quench your thirst,  
Many words have such a nasty taste  
Unto the soul, mind and palate it's a waste.  
Remember, once that those words are out  
You can't take back that scream and/or shout,  
People think speaking your mind is strength  
But, that's just at their

arm's length.

The Scots like my grandmother knew much better  
As they wrote those terrible tasting words in a letter,  
Repeating or mailing them off they did not desire  
They roasted those letters in a fire.  
Real strength is the word you choose not to say

Unto them you are not the prey,  
Restraint isn't weakness, it instead is wisdom  
That truly is the total sum.  
Generations of Scot-

tish folk understood that words carry weight  
With thoughts as with the soul we should investigate,  
Our ancestors didn't

waste them neither  
Maybe we shouldn't use them either.

Randy L. McClave

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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ORDINANCE NO. 14 -2026

ORDINANCE NO. 4-2023 OF THE CITY OF GREENUP, KENTUCKY, IS HEREBY AMENDED TO REFLECT AN INCREASE IN WATER METER TAP FEES FOR SEWER, HENCEFORTH A 5/8 X 3/4" SHALL BE \$1,500.00, A 1" TAP \$2,000.00 AND A 2" TAP \$3,500.00, THE ORDINANCE INCREASES THE MINIMUM MONTHLY CHARGE FOR ALL 6" TAPS TO \$2,000.00, THE ORDINANCE SETS A NONRESIDENTIAL WATER USER RATE OF \$21.82 PER 1,000 GALLONS OF WATER USED. THE ORDINANCE DOES NOT AFFECT RESIDENTIAL RATES EITHER INSIDE OR OUTSIDE THE CITY, THE ORDINANCE INCREASES WATER TAP FEES FOR A 5/8 X 3/4" METER TO \$2,250.00.

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This is to certify that the above caption and Ordinance is titled as set forth above and has been reviewed by the undersigned, who is an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

*Stephen McGinnis*  
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*Lela Murr*  
MAYOR, CITY OF GREENUP, KY

ATTEST:

*Paula Bentley*  
CITY CLERK

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## JUMBLE

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